

Comment étendre Medulla

First of all, there are a few important things to note when developing around the agent:

The machine agent is automatically updated when the code is not identical between the agent and the agent codebase that is on the server. To disable this behaviour, the following setting needs to be added to agentconf.ini and the agent restarted:

```
[updateagent]
updating = 0
```

The plugins are also automatically updated if the version has changed. If a plugin needs to be modified, do not update the version until all the tests have been done.

There are four types of plugins for the machine agent: start plugins, update plugins, action plugins and scheduled plugins.

1. Start plugins are those run when the agent starts and are defined in start_machine.ini;
2. Update plugins are used to install or update external components used by the agent;
3. Action plugins are called by an action received by the agent;
4. Scheduled plugins are those called at a specific time or interval.

Each plugin can have its own config file named after the plugin name and needs to be added to the following parameter in agentconf.ini for the configuration to be loaded:

```
[plugin]
pluginlist = xxxxxxxx, yyyyyyy
```

The scheduled plugins have their own schedule defined in the plugin in the SCHEDULE parameter. This however can be overridden in the manage_scheduler_machine.ini file

There are 3 ways to extend Medulla:

1. interaction with the machine agent via a TCP socket
 2. interaction with the machine agent via named pipes
 3. machine agent action plugins
 4. machine agent scheduled plugins
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How to interact with the agent via a TCP socket

A new action needs to be defined in **server_kiosk.py** in the function named **handle_client_connection** in the condition

```
if 'action' in result:
```

and this action added to the JSON message that is sent on the TCP socket.

Here is an example of the message sent:

```
{
  "action": "myNewAction",
  "sessionid": "mysessionid",
  "base64": false,
  "data": {
    "date": "2020-06-24T15:45:02.000Z",
    "family1": {
      "field1": "value1",
      "field2": "value2"
    },
    "family2": {
      "field1": "value1",
      "field2": "value2"
    }
  }
}
```

The above content is to be saved to a file named **json_file** to be sent via TCP socket or added to a variable named **json_message** in your code for sending via named pipes

And its counterpart in **handle_client_connection** function in **manage_kiosk_message** class. In the following section:

```
try:
    _result = json.loads(minifyjsonstringrecv(msg))
```

Add

```
if _result['action'] == "myNewAction":
    substitute_recv = self.objectxmpp.sub_monitoring
    logging.getLogger().warning("send to %s to %s" % (_result,substitute_recv ))
    self.objectxmpp.send_message(mbody=json.dumps(_result),
                                mto=substitute_recv,
                                mtype='chat')

    return
```

And in the following loop:

```
if 'action' in result:
    if result['action'] == "kioskinterface":
        ...
```

Add

```
elif result['action'] == "myNewAction":
    datasend['action'] = "myNewSubstituteAction"
    subs_recv = self.objectxmpp.sub_monitoring
    datasend['sessionid'] = getRandomName(6, "mynewsubstituteaction")
    datasend['data'] = result['data']
```

The above example will in turn send the message to sub_monitoring jid with a new action to be carried out: myNewSubstituteAction

The listening TCP port is defined in **agentconf.ini** parameter **kiosk/am_local_port**. Default value is 8765.

Here is an example TCP sender written in python for the next step which is the actual sending of the data to the TCP socket:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
# -*- coding: utf-8; -*-
#
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# MA 02110-1301, USA.
# file clientTCPcli.py

# Run python clientTCPcli.py -p ./file.json on the client machine to
# inject the data

from optparse import OptionParser

import socket
import sys
import os
import select

def send_message(message, host, port, timeout_in_seconds = 5):

    # Create a TCP/IP socket
    sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
```

```

# Connect the socket to the port where the server is listening

try:

    server_address = (host, port)
    print >>sys.stderr, 'connecting to %s port %s' % server_address
    sock.connect(server_address)
except socket.error , msgerror:
    print 'Bind failed on command interface ' + host + ' port ' + str(port) + ' Error Code :
    sys.exit(str(msgerror[0]))
try:
    # Send data
    print >>sys.stderr, 'sending "%s"' % message
    sock.sendall(message)

    # Look for the response
    amount_received = 0
    amount_expected = len(message)
    ready = select.select([sock], [], [], timeout_in_seconds)
    data = ""
    if ready[0]:
        data = sock.recv(4096)
        return 0, data
    return -1, ""
finally:
    print >>sys.stderr, 'closing socket'
    sock.close()

if __name__ == '__main__':
    optp = OptionParser()
    #optp.add_option("-h", "--help",action="store_true",
                    #dest="help", default=False,
                    #help="host")

    optp.add_option("-H", "--host",action="store_true",
                    dest="host", default="localhost",
                    help="host")

    optp.add_option("-P", "--port",
                    dest="port", default=8765,
                    help="port connection")

    optp.add_option("-T", "--timeout",
                    dest="timeout_in_seconds", default=2,
                    help="Revc timeout in seconds")

    optp.add_option("-m", "--msg",
                    dest="msg", default = "",
                    help="message for sending to TCP server")

    optp.add_option("-p", "--pathfile",

```

```

        dest="pathfile", default = None,
        help="content File for sending to TCP server")

opts, args = optp.parse_args()
#if opts.help:
    #print "usage commande"
    #os._exit(0)
message = ""
if opts.pathfile is None:
    if opts.msg == "":
        print "option missing < -m | -p> "
        sys.exit(-1)
    message = opts.msg
else:
    if os.path.exists(opts.pathfile):
        with open(opts.pathfile, 'r') as f:
            message = f.read()

if message != "":
    code, msg = send_message(message, opts.host, opts.port, opts.timeout_in_seconds)
print "code error %s, reponse server %s"%(code,msg)

```

To send the message:

```
python clientTCPcli.py -p <json_file>
```

How to interact with the agent via named pipes

The way to interact with the agent via named pipes is done the same way as for interacting with the agent via TCP socket except for sending the message.

To send the message to the named pipe here is an example code written in Python:

```

import win32file

def send_message(json_message):
    fileHandle = win32file.CreateFile("\\\\.\\pipe\\interfacechang",
                                       win32file.GENERIC_READ | win32file.GENERIC_WRITE,
                                       0,
                                       None,
                                       win32file.OPEN_EXISTING,
                                       0,
                                       None)

    win32file.WriteFile(fileHandle, json_message)
    win32file.CloseHandle(fileHandle)

```

How to write action plugins for the agent

Below is a template that can be used for writing action plugins:

```
import logging
import json

plugin = {"VERSION": "1.0", "NAME": "mynewaction", "TYPE": "machine"}

logger = logging.getLogger()

def action( objectxmpp, action, sessionid, data, message, dataerreuer):
    logger.debug("#####")
    logger.debug("call %s from %s session id %s" % (plugin, message['from'], sessionid))
    logger.debug("#####")
    datasend = {"action" : "myNewSubstituteAction",
                "data" : data,
                "sessionid": sessionid,
                "ret": 0,
                "base64": False
               }
    objectxmpp.send_message(mto=objectxmpp.sub_monitoring,
                           mbody=json.dumps(datasend),
                           mtype='chat')
```

Please note the following:

- NAME must match the name of the plugin file. Here the file will be named plugin_mynewaction.py
- TYPE must be defined to machine, relayserver or all depending on its target
- the action function will be the code executed by default. The above example will in turn send the message to sub_monitoring jid with a new action to be carried out: myNewSubstituteAction

How to write scheduled plugins for the agent

Below is a template that can be used for writing scheduled plugins:

```
import logging
import json
import os
import ConfigParser
from pulse_xmpp_agent.lib.agentconffile import directoryconffile
from pulse_xmpp_agent.lib.utils import file_put_contents
```

```

plugin = {"VERSION": "1.0", "NAME": "scheduling_mynewscheduledaction", "TYPE": "machine", "SCHED

SCHEDULE = {"schedule" : "*/15 * * * *", "nb" : -1}

logger = logging.getLogger()

def schedule_main(xmppobject):
    logger.debug("=====")
    logger.debug(plugin)
    logger.debug("=====")
    if xmppobject.num_call_scheduling_mynewscheduledaction == 0:
        __read_conf(xmppobject)

    if xmppobject.config.mynewscheduledaction_enable:
        data = {}
        data['family1'] = {}
        data['family1']['field1'] = "value1"
        data['family1']['field2'] = "value2"
        data['family2'] = {}
        data['family2']['field1'] = "value1"
        data['family2']['field2'] = "value2"

    if xmppobject.config.mynewscheduledaction_forward:
        datasend = {"action" : "myNewSubstituteAction",
                    "data" : data,
                    "sessionid": "mysessionid",
                    "base64": False
                   }
        objectxmpp.send_message(mto=objectxmpp.sub_monitoring,
                                mbody=json.dumps(datasend),
                                mtype='chat')

def __read_conf(xmppobject):
    """
    Read the plugin configuration
    """
    configfilename = os.path.join(directoryconf(), "%s.ini" % plugin['NAME'])
    logger.debug("Reading configuration in file %s" % configfilename)

    #default parameters
    xmppobject.config.mynewscheduledaction_enable = True
    xmppobject.config.mynewscheduledaction_forward = False

    if not os.path.isfile(configfilename):
        logger.warning("Plugin %s configuration file %s missing" % (plugin['NAME'], configfilename))
        logger.warning("The missing configuration file will be created automatically.")
        file_put_contents(configfilename,
                          "[mynewscheduledaction]\n" \
                          "enable = 1\n" \
                          "forward = 0\n")

    # Load configuration from file

```

```
Config = ConfigParser.ConfigParser()
Config.read(configfilename)
if os.path.exists(configfilename + ".local"):
    Config.read(configfilename + ".local")
if Config.has_section("mynewscheduledaction"):
    if Config.has_option("mynewscheduledaction", "enable"):
        xmppobject.config.mynewscheduledaction_enable = Config.getboolean('mynewscheduledaction', "enable")
    if Config.has_option("mynewscheduledaction", "forward"):
        xmppobject.config.mynewscheduledaction_forward = Config.getboolean('mynewscheduledaction', "forward")
```

Please note the following:

- NAME must match the name of the plugin file. Here the file will be named `plugin_mynewaction.py`
- TYPE must be defined to machine, relayserver or all depending on its target
- SCHEDULE notation is similar to the cron notation. The extra parameter nb defines how many times the plugin must run. If -1, it will run forever
- the `schedule_main` function will be the code executed by default. The above example will read a config file or create it if it does not exist and send a message to `sub_monitoring_jid` with a new action to be carried out: `myNewSubstituteAction`

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